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FOLLOWING REPEAT CAIRO 4702 SENT ACTION SECSTATE 11 MAY 75

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SUBJECT: SUEZ CAMALTPENING CEREMONIES

REF4 CAIRO 4646

1. USCINCNAVEAR, ADMIRAL SHEAR, MADE THREE HOUR REFUELING STOP IN CAIRO YESTERDAY ENROUTE BACK TO LONDON FROM HIS MIDDLE EAST TRIP. I HAD HIM TO LUNCH WITH DEPUTY PRIMIN/MINWARGENERAL GAMASY AND CNO ADMIRAL ZIKRI AS GUESTS.

2. AT ONE POINT DURING LUNCH, GAMASY SAID HE HAD BEEN INFORMED BY FAHMY OF OUR WILLINGNESS TO HAVE A SHIP IN THE JUNE 5 SUEZ CANAL INAUGURAL PROCESSION. HE APOLOGIZED THE INITIAL REQUEST FOR THREE
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SHIPS HAD BEEN REDUCED TO ONE AND GAVE THE SAME REASON FAHMY

HAD GIVEN FOR THE CHANGE. THE PRESIDENT, UPON REFLECTION, HAD CONCLUDED THAT PERHAPS THREE SHIPS ARE TOO MANY. INSTEAD OF BEING AT THE END OF THE CONVOY, HOWEVER, THE "BIG" AMERICAN WARSHIP WILL NOW BE FIFTH IN LINE. HE ASKED IF I KNEW WHICH SHIP IT WOULD BE.

2. I DID NOT, BUT ADMIRAL SHEAR SAID IT WILL BE THE SIXTH FLEET FLAGSHIP, LITTLE ROCK. VICE ADMIRAL TURNER, COMSIXTHFLT, WILL BE ABOARD. GAHASY WAS PLEASED, BUT ASKED THAT NO RPT NO WORD OF THIS BE SAID TO THE BRITISH, FRENCH OR SOVIETS. IF WORD LEAKS OUT, THEY WILL ALSO ASK TO PARTICIPATE. GOE DOES NOT RPT NOT WANT SOVIET VEESEL IN THE PROCESSION.

3. IT WAS ARRANGED THAT LITTLE ROCK WILL NOT ARRIVE AT PORT SAID UNTIL EARLY IN THE MORNING OF JUNE 5, AT WHICH TIME THE INAUGURAL CONVOY IS TO BE ORGANIZED. THE PLAN IS FOR LITTLE ROCK TO BE IN THE INAUGURAL CONVOY FROM PORT SAID TO ISMAILIA, WHERE SHE WILL DISEMBARK THE ADMIRAL FOR THE CEREMONIES WHICH TAKE PLACE THERE, AND THEN PROCEED THROUGH THE CANAL TO THE SUEZ AREA. SHE WILL RETURN IN THE FIRST NORTHBOUND CONVOY WHICH TAKES PLACE THE FOLLOWING DAY.

4. ADMIRAL SHEAR INDICATED HE HAS NO RPT NO OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENT TO SEND TWO DESTROYERS SOUTHBOUND THROUGH THE CANAL IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE OPENING CEREMONIES AND GAMASY AGREED THIS IS NOT NECESSARY.

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